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For: PORTABLE DATA RECORDING AND/OR PLAYBACK DEVICE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicant files herewith the above-identified application. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims.

- 22. A portable data recording or playback device, comprising
 a data capture device or data output device; and
 a data memory device or data readout device,
 wherein i) data capture device or data capture device, and ii) the data memory device or
 the data readout device, are contained in a headband.
- 23. The device of claim 22 further comprising operating controls for the data memory device or the data readout device, and the operating controls contained in the headband.
- 24. The device of claim 22 further comprising operating controls that comprise sound capture apparatus for capture of a sound signal.

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25. The device of claim 24 further comprising operating controls that comprise a speech recognition apparatus for the detection of a user voice command contained in a sound signal and for the conversion of voice commands to a corresponding control command.

26. A portable data recording or playback device, comprising a data capture device or data output device; a data memory device or data readout device; and operating controls.

27. The device of claim 26 wherein the operating controls comprise sound capture apparatus for capture of a sound signal.

28. The device of claim 26 further comprising operating controls that comprise a speech recognition apparatus for the detection of a user voice command contained in a sound signal and for the conversion of voice commands to a corresponding control command.

REMARKS

Claims 22-28 have been added to the application.

Early consideration and allowance of the application are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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